

Art Unit: 2857

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Kazuya Suzuki et al.

Serial No .:

09/893,185

Filed:

December 12, 2002

Title:

APPLIANCE MAINTENANCE APPARATUS AND APPLIANCE

REMOTE MAINTENANCE SYSTEM

Examiner:

Felix E. Suarez

Docket No.:

33733

AMENDMENT "A"

(In response to Paper No. 3)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated December 12, 2002. The two (2) month shortened statutory period expires on February 12, 2003. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$90.00 to cover fees resulting from the addition of five (5) claims.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below.

Suzanne B. Gagnon

Name of Attorney for Applicant(s)

January 23, 2003

Date

Signatuhe of Attorney

01/29/2003 WABDELR1 00000099 09893165